IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Yasuhiro Maenishi, et al.

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Title : LINE BALANCE CONTROL METHOD, LINE BALANCE CONTROL

APPARATUS AND COMPONENT MOUNTING MACHINE

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Examiner : Sivalingam Sivanesan

Customer No. : 52054

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AMENDMENT "A"

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 13, 2009. The three-month period for responding to the Office action expires on July 13, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.